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As in the existing bus network, additional bus services will be required during weekday morning and evening peak hours. This extra peak service would be provided in three different ways:

- Higher frequency on all-day routes. For example, proposed Route 35 would operate every 20 minutes all day, but every 15 minutes at peak.
- Higher frequency on parts of all-day routes. For example, the highest demand part of the D spine system is Malahide Road from Clare Hall to City Centre. Six extra trips per hour would be provided during the peak period as a special service, designated as “D9” on the table to the left.
- Peak-only routes, some of which are to be provided as express services. These are shown on the table to the left, along with the most comparable existing peak service where applicable. Unless otherwise indicated, all peak-only routes would operate in the inbound direction in the morning and the outbound direction in the evening.

Following on feedback in the second public consultation, it is clear that there is significant concern about peak service levels and the continued provision of certain peak express routes. The NTA performed a review of peak loading at key points in Dublin in November 2018, which has informed the network revision. As a result, the revised proposal includes 15 more peak-only routes and patterns than were in the initial proposal. The revised proposal has also added more trips to several of these services, matching and in some cases exceeding the number of trips on the equivalent existing service.